REMARKS

In accordance with the foregoing, claims 1 and 3-10 have been amended. Claim 2 has been cancelled and new claims 12-16 have been added. Claims 1 and 3-16 are pending and under consideration.

Using independent claim 1 as an example, this claim recites a "header including information about the printer." The Examiner relies upon column 6, lines 24-57 and 43-63 of the reference as disclosing this feature. These portions teach that a client 20 receives a request to perform a print job at a printer 50. A system spooler 64 determines whether the print job specifies the printer 50 according to a URL address. If a URL address is specified, the print job data is formatted into an HTTP POST request. Teng, col. 6, In. 22-38.

The HTTP POST request includes a header, and status information in addition to the print job itself. More specifically, this request includes protocol version information, header-length, content-type, content-length and job originator. Teng, col. 6, ln. 46-51.

However, there is no teaching that the header includes printer information. The reference simply teaches that a header is included, but there are no details regarding the content of the header. The protocol version and other types of listed information also do not teach the content of the header.

Furthermore, claim 1 recites in the print server, converting a result of the printing or information about the printer into a hypertext and transmitting the result or the information to the client. In contrast, Teng teaches that the HTTP POST request is generated in the Internet API 66, as opposed to the HTTP Print Server Component of the network server 49. Teng et al., col. 6, ln. 33-36 and 50; FIG. 2. Thus, the claimed operations of the print server are not taught or suggested by Teng.

King does not overcome these deficiencies in Teng.

Independent claims 2, 9 and 11, and new independent claims 12 and 15 are similarly patentable over Teng and King.

Independent claim 7 recites a PDL converting unit that judges whether the print data is an appropriate PDL file for printing in the printer, and converts the print data into the appropriate PDL file corresponding to the printer when the print data is not the appropriate PDL file for printing in the printer. The Examiner's attention is drawn to pages 16 and 17 of the present Specification. It is respectfully submitted that the cited references do not teach or suggest these

features.

There being no further outstanding objections or rejections, it is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. An early action to that effect is courteously solicited.

Finally, if there are any formal matters remaining after this response, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned to attend to these matters.

If there are any additional fees associated with filing of this Amendment, please charge the same to our Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

Respectfully submitted,

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